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W. MEIER.

On the occasion of the recent General Meeting of the Swiss Mercantile Society, Mr. W. Meier, who for the last eleven years has been at the helm of this Society, relinquished the office which he had occupied in such a noteworthy manner, and we take this opportunity of thanking him, not only for the eminent services which he has rendered to his Society, but also for those to the Swiss Colony.

To be President of one of the most active Societies in London is no sinecure, and requires patience and tact; both of these Mr. Meier fortunately possesses in abundance.

With never-flagging energy he has carried on the good work of his predecessors, and if to-day the Swiss Mercantile Society and its College are enjoying an enviable reputation, both in the Colony and at home, it is principally due to him, and to his small band of collaborators.

As will be seen in another part of this issue, Mr. Meier has been elected an Honorary Member of the London section; it is an honour which he richly deserves. Two years ago, on the occasion of the Delegates' Meeting of the "Schweizerischen Kaufmännischen Verein", which took place at Basle, he was made an Honorary Member of the S.K.V. Thus the faithful work which he has rendered for so many years has not passed unnoticed, and it must be a measure of satisfaction to him that it has been appreciated.

Apart from his work in the Swiss Mercantile Society, Mr. Meier has sat on many committees dealing with the affairs of the Colony, such as "Fête Suisse", Swiss Sports, 1st of August, etc., where his sagacity and sound views were much appreciated and frequently acted upon. He also was at one time Chairman of the Presidents' Assembly.

In all his undertakings he has been ably and devotedly assisted by his life partner, who has always taken a keen interest in his work. We are glad to say that no small part of the appreciation which was so abundantly expressed to the late President at the Meeting of the S.M.S. went to her also. Like her husband, Mrs. Meier has rendered — and is rendering — useful services to the Colony.

May we express the hope that in the coming time of more leisure we shall still enjoy their collaboration for the benefit of the Colony and our country.

#### SWISS CLUB MANCHESTER.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Club Manchester, held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, on February 15th, the new committee was constituted as follows:— President: M. E. Lichtensteiger; Vice-President: Dr. H. B. Knuchel; Hon. Secretary: A. Aeby; Hon. Treasurer: J. Sohm; Librarian: Mrs. L. Themans; Members: Miss A. Rietmann and H. Monney.

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